HOUSE BILL 3281 By Davis (Cocke)

AN ACT to authorize Cocke County to operate a recreation department and to provide for a recreational activity fund.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. The county legislative body of Cocke County, Tennessee is hereby authorized, by resolution, to establish and provide for the operation of a recreation department for the benefit of the residents of Cocke County. In providing for the operation of such recreation department, the legislative body may establish a separate recreational activity fund to receive monies from admission to sporting or other events held by the recreation department, concession revenue from these events and private donations. The county legislative body, by resolution, may designate someone other than the county trustee to hold such funds and expend these funds for furtherance of the department's recreational purposes. All expenditures from the recreational activity fund shall be for the specific purposes designated by resolution of the county legislative body and in accordance with guidelines adopted by the county legislative body. An accounting shall be made of receipts and expenditures from the recreational activity fund in accordance with any resolution of the county legislative body. All accounts and records of the recreation department shall be public records and shall be open to inspection by any

member of the public. The county executive shall have the duty to inspect the accounts of the recreational activity fund on a quarterly basis and report the findings to the county legislative body.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Cocke County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Cocke County legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.

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